

REMARKS

In the Official Action mailed on **19 July 2007**, the Examiner reviewed claims 1-54. Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. § 121:

- Species A: Represented by Figure 2A, item 503;
- Species B: Represented by Figure 2A, item 401;
- Species C: Represented by Figure 2A, item 303;
- Species D: Represented by Figure 2A, item 213;
- Species E: Represented by Figure 6A, items 901-909;
- Species F: Represented by Figure 6A, item 801;
- Species G: Represented by Figure 6A, item 701-709;
- Species H: Represented by Figure 6A, item 617;
- Species I: Represented by Figure 10A, item 1301-1309;
- Species J: Represented by Figure 10A, item 801;
- Species K: Represented by Figure 10A, item 1101-1109;
- Species L: Represented by Figure 10A, item 1013;

Restriction requirement

Applicant has elected the invention in Species D that is represented by Figure 2A, item 213 **with traverse**. Claims 1-3, 29-31, and 43-45 read on this invention. Claims 4-28, 32-42, and 46-54 have been canceled.

Applicant respectfully submits that Species A, B, C, and D, represented by the single flowchart in Figure 2A, **together constitute a single invention**. It is noted that claims 2-6 are dependent on independent claim 1, claims 30-34 are dependent on independent claim 29, and claims 44-48 are dependent on independent claim 43. Applicant respectfully submits that dependent claims 4-6, 32-34, and 46-48, all of which depend on the independent claims of elected Species D **should also be elected as part of a single invention**.

Hence, Applicant respectfully submits that independent claims 1, 29, and 35, as presently amended are in condition for allowance. Applicant also submits that claims 2-3, which depend upon claim 1, claims 30-31, which depend upon claim 29, and claims 44-45, which depend upon claim 43, are for the same reasons in condition for allowance and for reasons of the unique combinations recited in such claims.

CONCLUSION

It is submitted that the present application is presently in form for allowance. Such action is respectfully requested.

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